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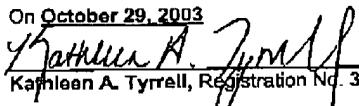
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Title: Collagen and Collagen-like Peptide
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Dear Sir:

Reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116

This is a reply to the Final Rejection mailed July 29, 2003
setting a three (3) month statutory period for response. Please
enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.